

a member from an agriculture state, I think it is important to ensure our agriculture community has the labor they need. I support parallel legislation to provide a workable guest worker program that includes the necessary safeguards to ensure that guest workers leave on time. This should be easier to do because with mandatory employment verification guest workers will not be able to secure a legal job in the U.S. after their seasonal work visa expires.

The Legal Workforce Act also implements worker protections for mismatched Social Security numbers and use of multiple Social Security numbers. The bill also provides good faith exemptions for employers who use the program while increasing the penalties for employers who knowingly hire illegal immigrants.

The Legal Workforce Act is a thoughtful and comprehensive approach to mandatory employment verification and E-Verify is ready to fulfill the obligation. America is ready for mandatory employment verification: employers are required by law to hire a legal workforce, and mandatory E-Verify will ensure that they are complying with the law.

While the legal name of the current program is "Basic Pilot Program," the effective brand name is E-Verify. Many businesses have incorporated the term "E-Verify" into their business and marketing plans. I would strongly suggest that we enshrine the name in law to provide clarity and continuity for businesses currently using E-Verify.

E-Verify is an extremely effective program and as we've seen from recent actions all over the country, from Arizona to Rhode Island, mandatory employment verification is quickly becoming a reality. As Members of Congress responsible for controlling our borders and enforcing legal employment, let's build upon what works and give the American people what they want: a federal law mandating employment verification.

HONORING SAINT VINCENT'S DAY HOME

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 14, 2011

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Saint Vincent's Day Home (SVDH) as it celebrates the amazing milestone of its Centennial. Over the last 100 years, in the same Victorian house in which it was founded, the Sisters of the Holy Family and SVDH's Board of Directors, staff and supporters have provided Oakland's low-income children and their families with countless opportunities to grow and thrive. On this truly momentous occasion, we recognize the steadfast commitment of SVDH to provide a safe, welcoming and hopeful space that nourishes the bodies, hearts and minds of West Oakland's children.

In 1911, The Archbishop of San Francisco, Most Reverend Patrick Riordan, asked Sister Joseph and Sister Agnes of the Sisters of the Holy Family to select a site in Oakland for the establishment of a new convent and day home. An 1863, 14-room Queen Anne Victorian house was purchased for a bargain price, and after a dedication ceremony on October 2, 1911 and a grand opening on the

16th, Saint Vincent's Day Home was officially in service. Located on the second floor of the residence, the Day Home was already serving 32 children in its first month. In the 1920s, the Day Home expanded operations as the convent moved to Piedmont and the organization received additional funding through what is now called the United Way. By the following decade, 180 children were enrolled in SVDH and the Day Home was growing to include increased support and programming. Today, SVDH serves over 230 children, ages two through six, and counting.

Over the last 40 years, SVDH has struck a vital balance between the introduction of modern revitalization efforts and the maintenance of its core values of service. For these reasons and more, it has become a national model of care for toddlers, preschoolers, kindergarteners and youth. From its first major expansion in 1976, to the launch of its Children's Fund a decade later and its first computer lab in 1991, SVDH has utilized a collaborative leadership process that includes founding parties, parents and lay Board members in its ongoing and successful operation.

More than 32,000 children have benefitted from SVDH's culturally competent education and literacy programs, as well as its referrals to comprehensive services that help keep families afloat. It's dedicated community, government and private partners, including United Way of the Bay Area, the California Department of Education, Chevron Corporation, Scott's Seafood Restaurant, S.H. Cowell Foundation and the Sisters of the Holy Family (just to name a few), are helping SVDH to champion family literacy and jump-start child development for decades to come.

Therefore, on behalf of the residents of California's 9th Congressional District, I would like to salute Saint Vincent's Day Home, and all of those who have contributed to its century of service. Thank you for your inestimable contributions to our community. Once again, congratulations, and I wish you the very best as you strive for another 100 years of excellence.

TRIBUTE TO DR. NANCY GRACE ROMAN

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 14, 2011

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary achievements of my constituent, Nancy Grace Roman. One of the world's most significant women in the history of science, Dr. Roman has dedicated her life to the exploration of the universe. Often called the "Mother of Hubble" thanks to her efforts to make the Hubble Space Telescope a reality, Dr. Roman was critical to establishing the new era of space-based astronomical instrumentation. Recently, she was honored by NASA with a fellowship in her name, the Nancy Grace Roman Technology Fellowship in Astrophysics, which will help young researchers achieve scientific breakthroughs in the development of innovative technologies, just as Dr. Roman did decades ago. Only the fourth person recognized by NASA with a fellowship, she joins the ranks of Albert Einstein, Edwin Hubble and Carl Sagan in being so honored.

Dr. Roman's fascination with outer space began at a young age. Her passion for the

universe was fueled in large part by her parents. Her father, a geophysicist, answered her scientific questions, while her mother, a teacher, exposed Nancy to nature and spent nights observing the sky with her daughter and pointing out such astronomical phenomena as constellations and the aurora. Dr. Roman knew from her early childhood that she wanted to devote her life to astronomy, even organizing an astronomy club to observe the constellations with her friends when she was just eleven years old.

Dr. Roman's dream of a life in science came true, as she devoted her career to understanding the nature of stars. Dr. Roman received a B.A. in astronomy from Swarthmore College in 1946 and a doctorate in astronomy from the University of Chicago in 1949. She then began working as a research associate in the radio astronomy branch of the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory. In 1959, NASA recruited Dr. Roman to set up a program in space astronomy. As NASA's first chief of astronomy, Dr. Roman traveled across the United States, seeking to identify the needs of astronomers nationwide. She then established a committee of astronomers and NASA engineers to determine the kinds of satellites that were necessary and that could feasibly be engineered. Dr. Roman once described looking at the universe through the atmosphere as "somewhat like looking through a piece of old, stained glass." Her deep passion and determination for finding newer, more efficient methods of astronomical exploration that would solve this problem inspired her to help facilitate the development of the most powerful and versatile instrument of its time—the Hubble Space Telescope. Her role in the creation of this extraordinary piece of technology led Dr. Roman to be affectionately known as the "Mother of Hubble." Following her work with the Hubble Space Telescope, Dr. Roman served as Chief of NASA's Astronomy and Relativity Programs, the first woman ever to hold an executive position at NASA. There, she was involved with, among other things, planning numerous satellite and rocket exploration programs.

In addition to having made numerous professional contributions to science, Dr. Roman is an inspiration to women of all ages and backgrounds. She grew up knowing what she wanted to do with her life but, as a woman of that era, she was forced to deal with a constant stream of disparaging comments from people around her. When Dr. Roman opted to take an additional year of high school mathematics instead of Latin, she was ridiculed by the school guidance counselor, who rejected the prospect of a girl choosing to pursue such a field. Her friends also tried to discourage her from science and mathematics, insisting that it was not the correct path for a woman of her generation to follow. Women of Dr. Roman's generation were often discouraged from pursuing any professional career, much less one in the sciences. Despite this, Dr. Roman followed her passion. She defied generational stereotypes, persevering to become one of the most eminent and influential women of her generation. Today, Dr. Roman remains an active member of the American Association of University Women and the River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Bethesda, Maryland. Since retiring from NASA in 1979, she spends much of her time consulting, teaching, and lecturing around the country and

continues to be a passionate advocate for science.

Our many astronomical and astrophysical advances would not have been possible without the efforts of Dr. Roman. By establishing a fellowship in Dr. Roman's name, NASA honors her and her achievements, and ensures that her contributions to the scientific community will never be forgotten.

I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting Dr. Nancy Grace Roman and in thanking her for all that she has done to advance scientific knowledge and our understanding of our world.

IN RECOGNITION OF SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH'S 155TH ANNIVERSARY AND REV. ANTHONY R. SADLER

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 14, 2011

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Shiloh Baptist Church and the installation of Reverend Anthony R. Sadler as its 30th Pastor. Shiloh Baptist Church was established in 1856 and is also celebrating its 155th anniversary this year. As church members gather to celebrate Shiloh's 155th anniversary and the installation of Reverend Sadler, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring Shiloh's important role in the Sacramento community.

For 155 years, Shiloh Baptist Church has been a fixture in Sacramento. From their beginning, the church has always been able to form strong relationships with other churches and organizations. There is no better example of this than when Shiloh first started. They did not have a place to hold services and the Chinese Chapel at 6th and H Streets graciously invited them to use their facilities.

Over the last century and a half, Shiloh has provided many services to our community, much under the guidance of Pastor Emeritus Willie P. Cook. Church programs include Elderly Appreciation Day, the Shiloh Community Services Foundation, an annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration and an annual outing for seniors to Apple Hill. Shiloh has also partnered with a number of community organizations to serve those in need, including the Sacramento County Child Abuse Prevention Council, Sacramento County Children's Coalition, Sacramento Children Summer Food Program, Sacramento County's Gifts from the Heart Program, a local prison ministry and a number of scholarship programs.

This weekend, Shiloh Baptist Church will welcome Reverend Anthony R. Sadler as its 30th pastor. Reverend Sadler grew up attending the church and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sadler. Reverend Sadler, a life-long resident of Sacramento County, became a minister on March 9, 2003, and previously served at the church as a Pastoral Assistant. It is clear that Shiloh will greatly benefit by having Reverend Sadler's vast knowledge of its congregation and our community.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to Shiloh Baptist Church on its 155th anniversary and recognize Reverend Anthony R. Sadler as its 30th pastor. I am confident that Shiloh will continue its deep connections to the Sac-

ramento community under his leadership. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring Shiloh Baptist Church's outstanding work in providing the community with much needed services.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN, NORTH TO THE FUTURE, AND YWCA

HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 14, 2011

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in recognition of National Business Women's Week, Business and Professional Women, North to the Future, and YWCA.

Working women constitute 72 million, or almost half of the nation's workforce and strive to serve their communities, their states, and their nation in professional, civic and cultural capacities. Women-owned businesses constitute 30 percent of all U.S. business generating in \$1.9 trillion in sales and employing 9.2 million people.

Working women should be applauded for their contributions to the workplace and the financial stability of their families especially during the economic downturn when more women have become their family's breadwinner. Since 1928, National Business Week has honored the contributions of working women and employers who support working women and their families.

North to the Future is a professional local organization with more than thirty five years of active community service within Anchorage. BPW NTF remains committed to reducing Alaska's staggering statistics on sexual assault and domestic violence and has organized activities programs and events to educate and uplift women.

For these reasons, I rise in support, recognition and congratulations during National Business Women's Week.

PROTECT LIFE ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Madam Speaker, in the last year, while 14 million Americans struggle to find work, Congressional Republicans have whipped themselves into a hysteria—not about job creation, but about further restricting a woman's freedom to access safe and legal reproductive healthcare.

Their legislative proposals are devastating policies that threaten to take away freedoms of all American women. The bill proposed today, H.R. 358, is the most brazen attempt by Congressional Republicans to destroy women's ability to receive private access to abortion services. Let us be clear. The bill today is one of the biggest invasions into the private lives of Americans that our nation has ever seen. With this bill, the Majority is reaching far beyond today's current laws and insert-

ing itself into the most private and often heart-rending decisions that women must sometimes make.

Contrary to the Rules of the House, today's bill cites no provision of the Constitution, nor any amendment to the Constitution. None at all. Throughout the hearing process, including hearings within the Rules Committee upon which I sit, the bill's sponsor and supporters have failed to effectively answer the Constitutional authority under which we are considering this bill.

One aspect of the bill is particularly illustrative of the extreme government intrusion this bill authorizes within its text. Under the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act, any hospital that participates in Medicare must fulfill three basic obligations designed to save lives. There is absolutely no exception to these basic rules.

H.R. 358 would carve out a single exception to EMTALA. Under this legislation, a hospital would be able to invoke a "conscience clause" to turn away any pregnant woman who came to an emergency room seeking medical assistance. If this draconian provision were to become law, a woman could bleed to death in a hospital without being treated.

This provision is not only a direct attack on women, it is immoral in its intent. Indeed, religious organizations such as the Catholic Health Association has explicitly told Congress that the current version of the law, strengthened under the Affordable Care Act, is perfectly fine, and that they oppose this provision of the bill.

I stand in firm opposition to H.R. 358 and the continued assault from Congressional Republicans on women's freedoms. May the annals of history accurately reflect the misguided priorities and immoral agenda of the Majority, and may history accurately judge the failed leadership that has been provided by the Majority during the 112th Congress.

TRIBUTE TO GAIL CHATFIELD OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI (1919-2005)

HON. RUSS CARNAHAN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 14, 2011

Mr. CARNAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of valued public servant, one of Missouri's finest first responders, Gail Chatfield.

As our nation recently commemorated the tenth anniversary of 9/11, we honored those first responders who risked their lives to save others.

Gail's life was one of unselfish public service. He served our nation during the Korean War, served as a firefighter for 22 years, as a state legislator in the Missouri General Assembly, and as Missouri's state Fire Marshall, appointed by my father Governor Mel Carnahan.

Gail was a leader who led quietly by example. He was competent, determined, and accomplished many great things, and did so with a sense of duty, purpose and humility.

In addition to his tireless public service, Gail was a loving husband, and a dedicated father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

He is survived by his wife Lois; their four children Keith, Kathy, Greg, Pamela; four grandchildren, and two great-grand children.